HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

Introduced by: Burton

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Beulah Mardis for her many years of community service.

Whereas, Beulah Mardis, an esteemed life-long resident of Franklin, Indiana is honored and recognized for her many years of service to the State of Indiana;

Whereas, Beulah Mardis was born November 29, 1904;

Whereas, Beulah Mardis, an 100-year-old citizen of Johnson County has helped shape and mold the county and the city of Franklin;

Whereas, Beulah Mardis' parents settled in Johnson County in the 1800's, farmed the land and founded the Shiloh Cumberland Presbyterian Church that is now Shiloh Community Church, which is the same property that Ms. Mardis lived and raised her own four children;

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Whereas, Beulah Mardis attended Franklin public schools, Madam Blaker School, which later became Butler University, and Franklin College, class of 1926;

Whereas, Beulah Mardis spent several summers in Mexico studying art through the program of the University of Arizona;

Whereas, As a young girl, Beulah Mardis was involved in the community, organizing the Pigs Club that later became Johnson County's 4-H organization;

Whereas, When Camp Atterbury was established, Beulah Mardis opened her home to the contractors who built the facility and later, to the soldiers and their families of the camp;

Whereas, In 1976 Beulah Mardis designed the quilt square for the State Fair's Bicentennial Celebration and later was commissioned by the National Doll's Club to design the logo for the club's convention in Indiana;

Whereas, Beulah Mardis was a school teacher for fifteen years and hundred's of students have passed through the doors of her classroom;

Whereas, Beulah Mardis is a gifted artist with many of her paintings hanging in private homes and public buildings throughout Indiana;

Whereas, Beulah Mardis continues to give art lessons on a weekly basis at her own studio in Franklin;

Whereas, Beulah Mardis has contributed to the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Johnson County Extension Homemakers, and the Johnson County Retired Teachers Association; and

Whereas, The success of the State of Indiana, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication and service of people like Beulah Mardis who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others: Therefore,

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Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives do honor and recognize Beulah Mardis for her many years of community service.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this Resolution to Beulah Mardis.

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